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Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that these references be considered in the examination of this application together with the previously submitted IDS and their collective consideration be made of written record in the application file.

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